(e) No, Sir.

(f) Question does not arise.

Cash Crops

5039. DR. RAMKRISHNA KUSMARIA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to formulate a scheme to encourage the growing of cash crops in various States;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the assistance proposed to be provided to each State under this scheme for 1996-97?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) to (c) Such a separate scheme is not envisaged at present. However, at present the following schemes are being implemented to increase the production of cash crops in various States of the country:—

(i) Intensive Cotton Development Programme (ICDP).

(ii) Special Jute Development Programme (SJDP).

(iii) Sustainable Development of Sugarcane Based Cropping System Areas (SUBACS).

(iv) Oilseeds Development programme (OPP).

These schemes are being funded on 75:25 percent basis between Government of India and State Governments except SJDP which is funded on 100 percent basis by Government of India. Under these schemes, assistance is provided for the transfer of technology through field demonstrations, Integrated Pest management demonstrations and trainings of farmers/ extension workers as well as incentives for essential inputs such as seeds, farm implements etc. Incentives also are being provided for sprinklers and pheromone traps under Intensive Cotton Development Programme and Oilseeds Production Programme and drip irrigation equipment under Sustainable Development of Sugarcane Based Cropping System Areas.

The State-wise allocation under each scheme for the year 1996-97 is given in the statement enclosed.

STATEMENT

Statement Indicating State-Wise & Scheme-Wise Outlay During 1996-97

Outlay (Rs. in lakh)/(Central Share)

States	ICDP	SJDP	SUBACS	OPP
1	2	3	4	5
1. Andhra Pradesh	177.75	28.76	163.76	1075.00
2. Arunachal Pradesh				34.00
3. Assam		82.26	38.00	155.00
4. Bihar		28.71	132.33	100.00
5. Gujarat	84.36		128.82	500.00
6. Haryana	105.45		90.63	175.00
7. Himachal Pradesh				30.00
8. Jammu & Kashmir				70.00
9. Karnataka	59.04		200.26	600.00
10. Kerala			22.71	50.00
11. Madhya Pradesh	68.55		73.30	1210.00
12. Maharashtra	326.09		439.34	1025.00
13. Manipur			12.95	80.09
14. Meghalaya		6.54		15.0
15. Orissa	15.79	36.95	42.62	450.00
16. Punjab	304.57		101.16	100.00
17. Rajasthan	120.20		47.81	1075.0
18. Sikkim				50.00
19. Tamil Nadu	187.58		188.02	850.0
20. Tripura		13.55	12.97	25.00
21. Uttar Pradesh	10.62	16.81	671.70	550.00

1	2	3	4	5
22.	West Bengal	192.77	29.68	250.00
23.	Nagaland		14.78	
24.	Mizoram		12.96	
25.	Pondicherry		16.36	
26.	Goa		14.84	

Indian Citizens in Indian Enclaves

5040. SHRI AMAR ROYPRADHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the reply to USQ. No. 1568 dated July 23, 1996 and state:

(a) since when the recommendations of the National Human Rights Commission are under consideration of the Government; and

(b) if so, the more time the Government propose to take to solve these problems?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA): (a) Since 19 March, 1996.

(b) Government remain committed to the full implementation of the provisions of the Indo-Bangladesh Land Boundary Agreement, including the exchange of enclaves. However, it is not possible to indicate any time frame. Efforts are underway to complete procedural formalities pertaining to the 1974 Agreement both in the Centre and concerned State Governments.

[Translation]

Atrocities on Blinds

5041. KUMARI UMA BHARATI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some blind persons were beaten mercilessly by the security guards and policemen at the time of the Prime Minister's Lucknow visit recently;

(b) if so, whether any enquiry has been conducted in this regard;

(c) if so, the outcome thereof; and

(d) the action taken against the persons found responsible therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[English]

Assistance to Uttar Pradesh for Pollution Control

5042. SHRI PRABHU DAYAL KATHERIA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have provided any financial assistance to Uttar Pradesh for polluton control during the last three years; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The year-wise details of financial asistance provided to Uttar Pradesh for pollution control during the last three years are given below:—

1993-94	Rs. 3720 lakhs (Approx.)
1994-95	Rs. 1161 lakhs (Approx.)
1995-96	Rs. 1292 lakhs (Approx.)

Konkan Railway Lines

5043. DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is some technical problem in the tunnes dug for laying the Konkan Rail Lines;

(b) if so, the facts of the case; and

(c) the corrective measures taken or proposed to be taken to overcome the said problem?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Out of the 92 tunnels, totalling to a length of 83.4 kms of the Konkan Railway project, 9 tunnels for a length of 15.042 kms were initially giving problems on account of very adverse geological conditions. These problems are in the form of roof collapses, mud flows, heavy seepage of water, soil squeezing etc. Of these 9 tunnels, all except 3 have been now made through. In these three tunnels which are situared in Goa, about 605 meters of heading is till to be made through. KRC has availed consultancy assistance from leading tunnel Engineers from within the country as well as abroad. Special machines have also been mobilised for this purpose, and the work is being monitored at the highest level on a day-to-day basis.